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DIARY NOTES

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1. Larry Houston left a paper with me which had been submitted by [REDACTED] recommending that the guards at our new building be paid a bonus. Larry said that he was very much afraid of this unless it was absolutely essential. I told him that I didn't think it was and that I would send the paper back to Security.

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2. Jim Garrison advised me that he was running out of money [REDACTED] Depot because they had failed to make certain charges against [REDACTED] which they should have made in connection with shipments out of the Depot. This is exactly the situation which I have been working on Ed Saunders and Jim about for some months and I am surprised that after assuring me that this situation would not recur that it actually has. Jim and Ed, however, are going to get the situation straightened out and I assume that it won't happen again. 25X1A

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3. Ed Saunders, [REDACTED] and I met with Bob Macy and Frank Ecker to discuss the renovation of [REDACTED] the National Photographic Interpretation Center. They agreed to the release of \$600,000 from the Reserve for the Fiscal Year 1961 and that we would come back when our A&E is finished and we have a firm estimate. This will be the occasion for requesting the remainder of the money from the Fiscal Year 1962 Reserve. While at this meeting, Bob Macy urged me to have the Director call Elmer Staats about our budget if he intended to do so. I asked the Director to do this and he apparently did later in the day. [REDACTED] reported to me that it was a rather brisk conversation and that while Elmer and the Director understood each other, they disagreed. This means that the Bureau of the Budget still refuses to release the [REDACTED] assume that this is the end of this matter, but we will have to check it with the Director in order to give Bob Macy the green light to put our budget to bed. H

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4. I acquainted General Cabell with the fact that [REDACTED] wanted to raise the question of whether we should retain [REDACTED] or not, and I emphasized my feeling that this should be done quickly and quietly in order to avoid a morale situation of long duration which we went through before when this subject was under discussion and undecided for such a long time. General Cabell agreed and directed that I raise this at an early Deputies' Meeting. H

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5. General Cabell also discussed with me the recent paper on ELINT R&D. He wanted to know for sure whether [REDACTED] went along with this. I told him that [REDACTED] was not sure that we would be able to avoid duplication but that he was certainly willing to give it a try with the understanding that we would re-examine the whole situation in about a year.

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